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April 9, 2019

VIA ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

**RE: Notification of Discontinuance of Common-Carriage Tariffed Wireline
Broadband Internet Access Service ("WBIAS") and Initiation of Provision on
a Permissive Detariffed Common-Carriage Basis by:**

**Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative
FCC Registration Number 0003759917
Study Area Code 381610**

and

**Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc.
FCC Registration Number 0004318895
Study Area Code 381610**

CC Docket No. 02-33

Dear Ms. Dortch:

John Staurulakis, Inc. (JSI), on behalf of Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative and Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc. (Companies), issuing carriers for NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, respectfully files the attached notice pursuant to the *Wireline Broadband Order* of the intent of the Company to discontinue its Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service (WBIAS) offerings under NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5 effective July 2, 2019. Upon discontinuance of the tariffed offerings, the Companies will provide WBIAS on a common-carriage non-tariffed basis. See *Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet over Wireline Facilities, Universal Service Obligations of Broadband Providers*, CC Docket No. 02-33, WC Docket No. 05-271, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 20 FCC Rcd 14853 (2005), FCC 05-150 (Rel. Sept. 23, 2005), (*Wireline Broadband Order*).

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Any questions regarding the notice may be directed to me at the address and telephone number listed above or by email at jkuykendall@jsitel.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Kuykendall". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" and last name "Kuykendall" clearly distinguishable.

John Kuykendall
Vice President

Attachment

cc: Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative
Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc.
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense
The Office of the Honorable Doug Burgum, Governor of North Dakota
North Dakota Public Service Commission
National Exchange Carrier Association

**Notice of Permissive Detariffing of Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service
Effective July 2, 2019 by**

DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE – SAC 381610

DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I, INC. – SAC 381610

630 Fifth Street North

P.O. Box 299

Carrington, ND 58421

(701) 652-3184

CC Docket No. 02-33

Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative and Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc. (“Companies”) hereby provide notice that the Companies plan to terminate provision of wireline broadband Internet access service (WBIAS) on a tariffed basis effective July 2, 2019 at which time it plans to offer permissive detariffed WBIAS on a Title II common-carriage basis pursuant to paragraph 94 of the Federal Communications Commission’s *Wireline Broadband Order*.¹ The Companies currently offer WBIAS through Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line (“ADSL”) Access Service and Symmetric Digital Subscriber Line (“SDSL”) Access Service under National Exchange Carrier Association (“NECA”) Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, for which the Companies are issuing carriers.

The Companies have requested of NECA that it remove the Companies as carriers listed in NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5 as providers of ADSL and SDSL Access Services (hereinafter “WBIAS”) under the tariff effective July 2, 2019.

Impact on Customers

The only customers for the Companies’ WBIAS is the Companies’ affiliate nonregulated Internet Service Provider (“ISP”) operation. The affiliate purchases WBIAS for use as a component in its broadband Internet service sold to consumers and business customers. The discontinuance of the tariffed offering of WBIAS will have no effect on the end user service provided by the affiliate.

Serving Area

The Companies’ provision of WBIAS is limited to their ILEC serving areas in North Dakota.

Future Availability of WBIAS on a Permissive-Detariffed Common Carriage Basis

The Companies will continue to make WBIAS available on a common-carriage basis through posting of rates, terms and conditions on its Internet web-site in a manner similar to that required for interstate and international interexchange services under Section 42.10 of the FCC’s rules (47 C.F.R. § 42.10).

¹ See *Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet over Wireline Facilities, Universal Service Obligations of Broadband Providers*, CC Docket No. 02-33, WC Docket No. 05-271, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 20 FCC Rcd 14853 (2005), FCC 05-150 (Rel. Sept. 23, 2005), (*Wireline Broadband Order*).

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WBIAS DETARIFFING TIMELINE

April 9, 2019

30-Day Notice filed with following:

Federal Communications Commission (under CC Docket No. 02-33)
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense
The Office of the Honorable Doug Burgum Governor of North Dakota
North Dakota Public Service Commission
National Exchange Carrier Association

April 9, 2019

Notice to customers.

As indicated above, the only customer for the Companies' wireline broadband Internet Access Service (WBIAS) is the Companies' affiliate nonregulated ISP operation. The 30-day notice to the affiliate ISP will be provided by interoffice memorandum cover with this notice attached.

June 17, 2019

Expected filing by NECA on 15-day notice of a tariff transmittal that will include, *inter alia*, removal of Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative and Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc. from the list of issuing carriers offering ADSL and SDSL Access Service.

July 2, 2019

Planned NECA tariff filing to become effective. Beginning on this date the Companies no longer offer WBIAS under NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

July 2, 2019 Forward

WBIAS available on common-carriage non-tariffed basis under rates, terms and conditions posted at www.dakotacentral.com.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Notification of Discontinuance of Common Carrier Tariffed Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service was served this 9th day of April, 2019 by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following persons:

Secretary of Defense
Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications
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Washington, D.C. 20301-1000

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